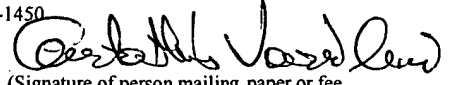




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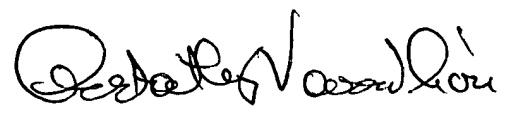
RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated May 27, 2004
reconsideration of the application in view of the following corrections is respectfully requested.

In summary, the amended paragraphs of the Specification include now markings.
Further, a complete listing of all claims is now present, and the claims are presented in ascending numerical order.

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